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Front row from left: Guadalupe Cardenas, Magnolia; State Delegates Anne Healey and Tawanna Gaines; Braylon Martin, SHL; Alyssa Bailey, GES; Favor Bate, GES; George Ford III, Magnolia; Christiana Alapa, SHL; Jhennifer Celestino, GMS; Kyle Del Villar, ERHS; Yoshi Chettri, DKFI; Benjamin Ehrenreich, GMS; Sean Mungin, DKFI; Jordan Epps, ERHS; and Favour Dimelu, ERHS, recipient of Anne Healey Maryland State Delegate Award. Back row from left: Councilmember Edward Putens; Tomeka Bumbry, representing County Councilmember Todd Turner; Councilmembers Leta Mach and Silke Pope; Mayor Emmett Jordan; Councilmember Judith Davis; State Senator Paul Pinsky; and Councilmember Rodney Roberts.

ACE Student Awards Presented To Outstanding Local Students

by Mary Moien

The Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) awards ceremony was a highlight of the May 8 meeting of the Greenbelt City Council. All available seats were filled for this annual event as parents, students, principals and teachers celebrated the selection of outstanding students.

ACE committee member Melinda Brady opened the presentation, mentioning that these awards have been given out every year since 1996. Recipients of the ACE Student Awards must be residents of Greenbelt enrolled in the highest grade level at a Greenbelt school. This year, Turning Point Academy did not have any students eligible for the award.

In addition to council, some local dignitaries were present and congratulated the awardees: State Senator Paul Pinsky, Delegates Tawanna Gaines and Anne Healey, and Tomeka Bumbry who represented County Councilmember Todd Turner. A number of school principals and ACE committee members also attended.

ACE was formed in 1994 and its charter was revised in 2007. ACE works with council, school principals, parent-teacher organizations and the community to address education issues and policies that affect the people of Greenbelt.

The purpose of the ACE awards is to recognize Greenbelt students who honor the city's traditions of citizenship, leader-

ship and academic achievement. While many students achieve academically, this year's recipients have uniquely impressed their principals, teachers and the wider community and exemplify

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FY18 Planning Budget Aired, Celia Craze to Retire June 30

by Diane Oberg

On May 1, the Greenbelt City Council reviewed City Manager Nicole Ard's proposed Fiscal Year 2018 budget for the Department of Planning and Community Development. That budget calls for spending \$974,000 for the department, a 1.3 percent decrease from Fiscal Year 2017's budget of \$987,200. The department is also budgeted to receive \$235,000 for animal control, which is in the public safety budget category. Together, they account for 4.3 percent of the city budget.

Farewell

But first, it was time to mark the end of an era as this was council's final budget worksession with Department Director Celia Craze. It has been 31 years since then Celia Wilson was hired as Greenbelt's sole city planner. During those years she has overseen the expansion of that position to a full department covering a broad swath of responsibilities from animal control to zoning. Craze will be retiring on June 30.

Councilmembers offered Craze their congratulations and expressed their appreciation for all she has done for the city. She recalled that when she began, Greenway Center had just opened, with most of Greenbelt East yet to be developed. She said that she had planned to stay until the location of the Federal Bureau of Investigation headquarters was selected but now that there is no announced schedule for this decision she decided the time to go had come.

Budget

The planning division accounts for \$549,900 of the budget and is responsible for overseeing all physical development in the city. This includes reviewing development proposals, coordinating and managing capital projects, coordinating planning and development activities with other public bodies and drafting legislation, among other duties. The proposed budget for this area is 1.8 percent less than FY17's budget.

Community Development is budgeted to spend \$424,100 in FY18, a 0.7 percent decrease from the FY17 budget. This division is responsible for enforcement of housing, building, sediment control and construction codes, along with burglar alarm licensing and handbill and noise ordinance enforcement.

Ard did not request any change in department staffing. The budget comments, however, identify workload and staffing as the primary issue facing the department. Craze agreed with the request that Councilmember Silke Pope made at an earlier meeting for an additional part-time staffer for animal control. Craze noted that with the current 2.5 full-time equivalents the staff is really stretched thin whenever one person takes leave. While the number of inspectors has not changed in the past couple of years, Craze said that it is down by two from its maximum staffing six or seven years ago.

Council Comments

Most of the meeting focused on a review of the mission, goals and FY17 accomplishments detailed in the budget report. Among other topics, the status of the Greenbelt Station shuttle was discussed. Planner Jessica Bellah said that it is her understanding that the homebuilders (NV Ryan Homes) want to provide the shuttle service, but that it would only service the homes they had built, not the apartments also on site. It is not yet clear how reviving the shuttle would affect the "The

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Museum Reopens June 4

by Clodagh Johnston

Of the many summer community activities dedicated to celebrating Greenbelt's 80th anniversary, the Grand Reopening of the Greenbelt Museum Historic House on Sunday, June 4 will certainly be one of the most authentic and community-driven events of the season. The free, family-friendly event kicks off at 11 a.m. with the 4th annual Roosevelt Ride: a short, vintage-themed bike ride that begins and ends at the Historic House at 10-B Crescent Road. Spinning off the well-known "tweed ride" theme, community members are encouraged to arrive in 1930s-

1950s period garb, such as a classic suit or Rosie the Riveter ensemble, to celebrate the rich history of Greenbelt. Additionally, fun vintage accessories will be provided before the event for bicycle decoration, though riders should feel free to decorate their bikes before arriving. Vintage clothing is optional, but participants should make sure to bring a helmet. Rain or shine, community members are invited to join Greenbelt City Council members at 1 p.m. for the ceremonial ribbon cutting, and will be among the first to see the restored

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What Goes On

Friday, May 19

6:30 to 8:30 a.m., Bike to Work, Greenbelt Aquatic & Fitness Center, Parking Lot

5 to 7 p.m., Free Fun Roller Skating, Springhill Lake Recreation Center

Saturday, May 20

9:45 a.m. to Noon, Adaptive Kayaking Experience, Buddy Attick Park

10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Public Works Open House, Public Works Facility

2 to 6 p.m., Celebration of Spring, Springhill Lake Recreation Center

2:15 p.m., Artwork Dedication, Springhill Lake Recreation Center

Monday, May 22

7:30 p.m., CERT, Police Station

8 p.m., City Council Meeting, Public Hearing on Proposed Budget, Constant Yield Tax Rate, Voting Age, Municipal Building

Tuesday, May 23

7 p.m., Police Community Relations Forum, Greenbriar Community Building, Terrace Room

7 p.m., Advisory Committee on Education, Municipal Building

7 p.m., Advisory Committee on Trees, Public Works Building

7:30 p.m., GreenACES/Green Team, Community Center

Wednesday, May 24

7:30 p.m., Council Worksession, South Core Annexation Correction, Community Center

8:30 p.m., Council Worksession, Citizens Animal Response Team, Community Center

Thursday, May 25

7 p.m., Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Municipal Building



PHOTO BY LAURA ADAMS

Bridget Adams shows off the facepainting artistry of Ming at the MakerSpace during the Green Man Festival.

Letters to the Editor

Meals at New Deal

I just had delicious decaf at 8 a.m. this past Sunday morning at the New Deal Café, and also enjoyed the new furniture, the elegant new food service containers, the calming background music, as well as the friendly service by local personnel in training. I'll go there often, for now, hoping this will continue.

They are experimenting with adding early hours – opening with a simple menu at 7 a.m. Tuesday through Friday (and maybe Monday soon) and at 8 a.m. weekends. This morning the menu was, at least, coffee and

decaf (with exotic creamers also available), bananas, apples, croissants, bagels and muffins.

But they had only a light turnout this past week, which threatens these early hours. The Café, due to its limited hours while transitioning to new management and fixing up the facility, has lost business, even in the afternoons.

Some of us could easily walk, or quickly drive to the Café in the early morning, sparing us the added inconvenience and hazard of traffic on local highways.

We could consider attending as individuals, with friends, with pets (on patio), with fam-

ily, or treating our beloved. Or, one could make a gift of a Café visit. Or, we might skip making our own coffee for a few days or weeks.

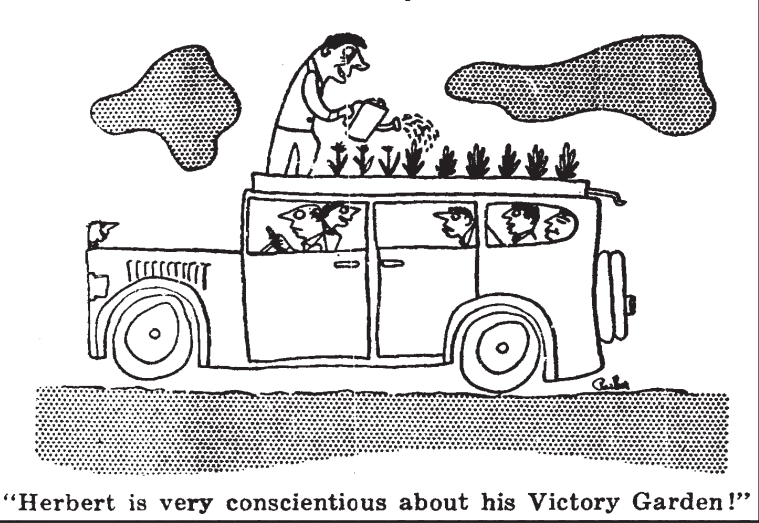
Perhaps your club could have early morning meetings there.

We might even attend frequently just long enough to restore a good turnout, and then revert to enjoying the Café whenever...

We could lose this accommodation without even knowing that it was piloted, and none of us wants a chain business to pop up there.

Bill Norwood

There's One in Every Car Pool



- News Review June 29, 1945, Izzy Parker carpool series.

In the early years of Greenbelt, families did not own two cars and public transportation was limited. Commuting by carpool inspired Izzy Parker's cartoon series entitled "There's One in Every Carpool" about the many foibles of sharing one's drive to the city.

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Bus" route now serving Greenbelt Station. Councilmembers still had concerns about the route and the hours for these transportation options.

Councilmember Konrad Herling asked about the cryptic "Local Info" signs posted at various locations around Greenbelt. Assistant Director of Planning Terri Hruby explained that the staff had tried to get more meaningful content on the signs but did not have that flexibility under the program. The signs must say "Local Info" and must stay up permanently.

Another issue, raised by Councilmember Judith Davis, concerns areas such as Crescent Road that are lacking sidewalks, forcing people to walk in the roadway. Craze said that staff has abided by an unwritten rule dating back to when the late Thomas X. White was on council, that sidewalks should not be placed where they would undermine use of the inner walkways. Changing that would be a matter of council giving staff direction to do so. There is also another issue with putting sidewalks in the area of Crescent near the white brick apartments in that there would be no place for the sidewalk to connect to, forcing users back out into the streets when the sidewalk ends.

Other issues discussed included the status of the bikeshare feasibility study, the lake dam repairs and the gateway signage plans. Most of these items will be presented to council in the near future.

Mayor Emmett Jordan suggested writing to the General Services Administration to push for a decision regarding the FBI headquarters location. He found little support for this suggestion from other councilmembers who expressed concern that such correspondence could backfire, leading to Greenbelt being eliminated as a possible headquarters location or could come across as

negative or whining.

Jordan also raised an issue about the stated goal to "Continue operation of a no-kill shelter..." saying that he did not want to get arguments over wording but that there are some people who say that the city shelter is not no-kill.

Craze objected strongly. She said that this statement is based on "faulty information and inappropriate conclusions." Animals coming from Greenbelt are not sent to the county and are kept until adopted. However, she noted that the city shelter does not accept animals from outside of the city and sends such animals to the county shelter.

Issues

The budget book lists the major issues facing the department in each of its primary areas of responsibility (expressed as goals). Several notable issues are discussed below.

Franklin Park inspection – while Craze and her staff are pleased with the cooperation they have been getting from Fieldstone Properties, including completion of the annual inspection in record time, there are still concerns including the overall condition of the infrastructure and the status of the abandoned laundry rooms. They call on Fieldstone to "implement a long-term maintenance and facility upgrade plan to address the inherent problems with an aging property."

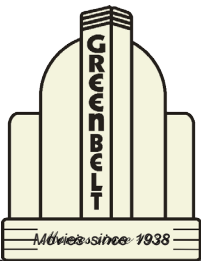
The pedestrian and bicycle master plan and bus stop safety and accessibility study are moving slowly due to the department's workload. Prince George's County has completed its bike sharing feasibility study and the city is looking at whether to go in with the county or determine if there are ways to bring bike sharing to Greenbelt sooner.

The Forest Preserve Advisory Board has been reviewing the Forest preserve health assessment for most of the fiscal year. This

process is expected to continue into the next fiscal year before being presented to council for review.

Letters Policy

The News Review reserves the right not to publish any letter submitted. All letters must include the letter writer's name, physical address and telephone number. Only the name will be published. All letters are subject to editing for reasons of space, libel, privacy, taste, copyright and clarity.



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Sun. 12:00, 5:15 PM
Mon. & Tues. 8:00 PM
Wed. 2:30, 8:00 PM
Thurs. 2:30 PM

THEIR FINEST
(R) (CC) (117 mins)
Fri., Sat., Mon - Thurs.
5:15 PM, Sun. 8:00 PM

We The People Series:
IDA
(PG-13) (82 mins)
(English subtitles)
Sun. 2:30 PM
(with special guest speaker)

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Mon. 10:30 AM

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FOR A NEW WORLD
Thurs. 8:00 PM

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On Screen

Next Stop: Mars?

Fight For Space is a somber yet inspiring documentary which celebrates the past glories of the USA's space program in the 60s and 70s, as it laments its recent steady decline.

It "stars" various politicians, astronomers, physicists, activists and schoolteachers, including Neil deGrasse Tyson (astrophysicist), James Lovell (astronaut) and Bill Nye (The Science Guy).

Not quite an elegy, Fight For Space, coming to the Old Greenbelt Theatre this Friday, May 19, urges us to reinvigorate our space program, to reawaken our sense of wonder and mystery.

- Jim Link

Community Events

Upcoming Events At the New Deal

Sunday, May 21, 10:30 a.m. to noon, Deaf Brunch: Deaf and hearing people socialize together using sign language. Newcomers welcome. 1 to 3 p.m., Annual Membership Meeting. 6 to 8 p.m., Join us for an evening of live Middle Eastern music and dance. Musicians will play exotic instruments such as qanun, oud, darbuka and riq. Amazing performances by the region's best belly dancers. There will be open dancing between dance performances.

Monday, May 22, 6:30 to 9 p.m., NDC regular board meeting, members and visitors welcome.

Tuesday, May 23, 8 to 10 p.m., The New Deal Laugh-In. CLaw Comedy Productions presents the New Deal Laugh-In Showcase featuring some of the area's funniest comics performing together for one night only. Parental guidance suggested.

Wednesday, May 24, 5:30 to 7 p.m., Piano jazz with Jeffrey Greenberg. 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., Michael Kelly – tasteful, melodic acoustic guitar with soulful vocals and poetic storytelling.

Thursday, May 25, Noon to 2 p.m., Mid-Day Melodies with Amy C Kraft. 7:30 to 10 p.m., Songwriters' Association of Washington Open Mic with host Lynn Hollyfield.

Friday, May 26, Noon to 2 p.m., Piano jazz with Jeffrey Greenberg. 6:30 to 8 p.m., Jazz and blues piano with John Guernsey. 8:30 to 11:30 p.m., The Mojo Priests. Take the Blues, add in a helping of Rock, a dash of R&B and a splash of the Jazz and stir. You get The Mojo Priests. Winner of The 2014 DC Blues Society Battle of the Bands.

Saturday, May 27, 1 to 5 p.m., Jazz Jam with Greg Meyer. Bring on your jazz groove and join in this community jam session. 6:30 to 8 p.m., Jazz and blues piano with John Guernsey. 8:30 to 11:30 p.m., The Smokin' Polecats with Mary Shaver. Their sound comes from the post-WWII ensemble sound of the Chicago masters like Jimmy Rogers, Little Walter and Howlin' Wolf; the West Coast Jump/Swing of Tiny Grimes, Pee Wee Crayton and T-Bone Walker; the Rock'a'Billy sound of Carl Perkins and Johnny Burnette; and the Louisiana swamp blues of Slim Harpo.



Artwork Dedication Saturday, May 20

In conjunction with the Celebration of Spring, a community art project installation will be dedicated at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center computer lab on Saturday, May 20 at 2:15 p.m. The new installation features a series of four "Crazy Quilt" mosaic panels incorporating ceramic tiles made by community members of all ages in an Artful Afternoon workshop at the Community Center. This project was initiated by Artist-in-residence and Recreation Department instructor Mary Gawlik, assisted by fellow Artist-in-residence Gina Denn and open studio participant Jan Morrow. The recreation center is located at 6101 Cherrywood Lane. For more information, call 240-542-2057.

Menu for Senior Nutrition Program

The Senior Nutrition Food and Friendship program provides lunches for seniors Monday through Friday at the Community Center beginning at noon. Meals must be reserved by 11 a.m. two days ahead so that enough food is ordered. Call 301-397-2208 ext. 4215.

All meals include margarine, coffee or tea and skim milk. Menus for the week of May 22 are as follows:

Monday, May 22: baked chicken w/maple mustard, mashed spiced yams, Brussels sprouts, wheat bread, sliced peaches, apple juice

Tuesday, May 23: breaded veal patty w/marinara sauce, rotini and tomatoes, spinach, wheat bread, diced pears, cranberry juice

Wednesday, May 24: Southwest chicken thigh, Spanish rice, Mexicali vegetables, cornbread muffin, mandarin oranges, grape juice

Thursday, May 25: diced baked potatoes, sour cream, broccoli cheese sauce, mixed green salad with ranch dressing, fresh fruit, cranberry juice

Friday, May 26: BBQ beef riblet, baked beans, collard greens, wheat hamburger bun, tropical fruit, apple juice

Greenbelt Park Events

Saturday, May 20, Volunteer Trail Crew. Join the Greenbelt volunteer corps to improve the park through stewardship projects. This is a great opportunity to get outdoors and pay it forward while working on a trail maintenance project. Meet at the Ranger Station at 8:45 a.m. (3 hours).

Saturday, May 20, Campfire Talk: Why 'Powder Mill' Road? Did you know there were powder mills manufacturing black gunpowder in nearby Beltsville and Bladensburg in the early 1800s? Learn about gunpowder and the hazards of its manufacture. A musket firing demonstration will conclude the talk to show the main use and need for black powder. Meet at Campfire Circle at 8:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 21, Every Kid in a Park. Planning a summer vacation and you have a 4th grader? Come and learn how to get a free pass to national parks as we play the Guess Your National Parks game. Other America the Beautiful Passes and their benefits will be described to help you prepare for summer vacation. Meet at the Ranger Station at 2 p.m.

For further information, call 301-344-3944 or visit nps.gov/gree.

Astronomical Society Meets May 25

On Thursday, May 25 at 7:30 p.m., the Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will welcome Vincent T. Bly, a technologist at NASA Goddard Spaceflight Center who works in the forefront of technological innovation and invention for space application. He will discuss the Linear Etalon Imaging Spectral Array (LEISA), an instrument he designed and assembled that flew on the New Horizons mission, visiting Pluto and Charon in July of 2015 and now on its way to visit objects in the Kuiper Belt. It is this instrument, a near-infrared imaging spectrometer, that is able to determine the surface composition of these objects.

The meeting will be held in the planetarium of the Howard B. Owens Science Center, 9601 Greenbelt Road (adjacent to Du Val High School). All are welcome and there is no charge.

Linux Install Day At MakerSpace

In the early days of computer programming, sharing software was a common practice. Unlike hardware, programs could be copied at no cost. This concept lives on in the form of open-source software, shareware and freeware, such as Linux, a free open-source operating system.

Originally considered not very accessible, Linux has long been a viable option for home computers with familiar icons for common tasks like creating documents (even Microsoft-compatible documents), web browsing and photo editing. There is an online Software Center with tens of thousands of free and paid apps. Once people try it (which can be done from a thumb drive without altering the computer's existing system), they are amazed they had never heard about it.

Curious? Greenbelt's MakerSpace is hosting a Linux Install Day on Saturday, May 20 from 1 to 4 p.m. Volunteers will be on hand to help install Linux and answer questions. So bring an old computer and stop by 125 Centerway.

Bedtime Story Ballet Showcases Local Talent

The Performing Arts Repertory Company, a non-profit arts organization located in Beltsville, will present a dance production on Saturday, May 20 and Sunday, May 21 at the Publick Playhouse in Cheverly. A Bedtime Story is an original story ballet that will capture the imagination of audience members of all ages, while showcasing local talent, including several Greenbelters.

For more information, visit performingarc.org.

Boxwood Village Yard Sale, May 20

Boxwood Village Civic Association will hold a community yard sale on Saturday, May 20 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. and a community picnic from 1 to 3 p.m. Maps with the addresses of participating families will be provided at the playground at the corner of Lastner and Ivy Lanes.

Star Party Saturday

The Astronomical Society of Greenbelt will host a star party, free and open to the public, on Saturday evening, May 20 at the Observatory located at Northway Fields. Attendees may observe Jupiter first and Saturn later in the evening. Also observed are galaxies, such as the Whirlpool Galaxy, the Sombrero Galaxy and others as time permits. Attendees are welcome to set up personal telescopes on the hill. The Moon will not be up until midnight, so it will be dark.

Observing will begin at around 8:30 p.m. and continue for about two hours. Attendees are asked to park in the ball field lot, not up on the hill, unless bringing a telescope. The star party will be canceled without notice if it is hopelessly cloudy.

Writers Group To Meet May 19

The Greenbelt Writers Group will hold its monthly meeting on Friday, May 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Center. All writers are invited to attend and participate in setting plans for a new anthology. Discussion will be on electronic submissions for the anthology and plans for the June Peace Month meeting. Open readings will also be held. Contact Mary Moien at 301-474-4713 for more information.

More Community Events are located throughout the paper.



City Notes

Public Works staff edited the Memorial Bench dedication program policy for distribution on the city website.

Horticulture/parks crew installed a temporary smoking receptacle at Green Ridge House.

Art staff secured full funding from the Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council for after-school arts classes at Springhill Lake Elementary School during the 2017/2018 school year. The grant will enable the Recreation Department to provide these classes free of charge to participants in all grades.

CARES

During the month of April, 15 families on average were seen for counseling. Seventy-two individuals on average came on a weekly basis among whom 21 were 18 years of age and younger. The Crisis Intervention Counselors saw 12 clients.

GHI Notes

Thursday, May 18, 7:30 p.m., Board of Directors Meeting, Board Room

Friday, May 19, office closed. Emergency maintenance service available at 301-474-6011.

Monday, May 22, 7 p.m., Pre-purchase Orientation, Board Room

Tuesday, May 23, 7:30 p.m., Buildings Committee and Solar Task Force Joint Meeting, Board Room

Wednesday, May 24, 7 p.m., Buildings Committee Meeting, Board Room

Adaptive Kayaking Saturday at the Lake

Experience kayaking at Greenbelt Lake on Saturday, May 20, 9:45 a.m. to noon. The event is free and suitable for all ages. Pre-register with the Greenbelt Recreation Department, Activity #252505-1.

For more information call 240-542-2054. Participants are encouraged to bring a picnic lunch.

Greenbelt Arts Center COMING SOON

SHE SPEAKS



A guest production from the Rude Mechanicals
June 1, 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17 at 8PM
June 11 at 2PM

Ticket prices: \$22 General Admission, \$20 Students/Seniors/Military, \$12 Youth (12 and under with adult)

COMING SOON

CANCELLED: Off the Cuff: A 48-Hour Play Project - May 27
Murder on the Nile – Jun 23 - Jul 2 - Production of Thunderous Productions
Teresa – Jul 14 - 23 - Production from 7th Street
King Kirby – Jul 28 – Aug 12 - Production from Off the Quill

For information & reservations, call 301-441-8770 or email: info@greenbeltartscenter.org or BOOK TICKETS ONLINE at www.greenbeltartscenter.org

Utopia Film Festival Presents
Sunday, May 21, Wed., May 24, & Fri., May 26
Beginning at 8 PM

“Fagbug Nation,” “Finding Manjushri,” and
“The First Step”

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Mishkan Torah Memorial Day Dedication of Holocaust Torah



PHOTO BY ED BRENNER

A sofer repairing Vlařim scroll, a Torah that will be rededicated at Mishkan Torah on Memorial Day weekend.

On Memorial Day, May 29 starting at 3 p.m. Mishkan Torah will have a once-in-a-lifetime ceremony rededicating a survivor of the Holocaust, the destruction of the European Jewish Community by Nazi Germany from 1939-1945. The survivor is a Torah scroll once used by the vanished Jewish community of Vlařim in the Czech Republic. A Torah is the most sacred object in Judaism. It is a scroll in Hebrew containing the first five books of the Bible (the Five Books of Moses) hand lettered by a specially trained scribe called a sofer. Mishkan Torah received the Torah on loan from the Memorial Scrolls Trust in January 1967.

The scroll was recently evaluated and repaired by a sofer, as seen above. The scroll is now kosher and can be read as part of religious services.

Mishkan Torah’s agreement with the Memorial Scrolls Trust obligates the Synagogue now to have a rededication ceremony to stimulate renewed awareness of the scroll’s significance and its special place as a symbol of survival, heritage and loss. Given the key role played by the United States in WW II, the upcoming Memorial Day, a day of remembrance for those who died protecting the liberties and freedoms that Americans enjoy and at times take for granted is an ideal day for a rededication ceremony for the precious Holocaust Torah.

Weather permitting, the ceremony will begin with a celebratory parade to Roosevelt Center and back. The parade will begin outside the Synagogue at 3:00 p.m.

At 4 p.m., there will be a ceremony at the Synagogue under the chuppah, the traditional Jewish wedding canopy, to be followed by short speeches by Rabbi Jonathan Cohen and Ralph Mollerick, who escaped Nazi Germany through Kindertransport. Mishkan Torah will then have a mincha service featuring readings from the Vlařim scroll. The day’s

events will conclude with light refreshments and an informal get together.

This unprecedented ceremony promises to be a truly memorable event. It is free and the public is invited to attend what may literally never happen again in this area; the dedication of a Holocaust Torah. Mishkan Torah is located at 10 Ridge Road.






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40 Ridge Road, Greenbelt
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Rev. Fay Lundin, Pastor



Worship Service 10 a.m.
Speed is not as important as direction.

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135 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, MD 20770
301-474-4322



Mass Schedule:
Sunday 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
Saturday 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.
Daily Mass: 7:15 a.m.
Sacrament of Penance: Saturday 3:30-4:30 p.m.

Pastor: Rev. Walter J. Tappe

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We were sorry to hear of the death on March 20, 2017, of Greenbelt pioneer Virginia Sowell Wyant, 81, of College Park and Coral Gables, Fla. She was the daughter of original residents Mr. and Mrs. Ray Sowell and graduated from Northwestern High School in 1953. Her husband of over 61 years, David N. Wyant (Greenbelt High School class of 1947), preceded her in death. Mrs. Wyant was retired from the University of Maryland, where she worked for many years in Admissions and the School of Music. A memorial service was held May 13 in Florida.

Congratulations to The Sally Wagner Foundation for successfully starting up. Wagner is the retired, long-term band director at Eleanor Roosevelt

High School. Congratulations also to the inaugural year scholarship recipients Phillip McWithey and Avinash Singh. For more information about the foundation visit sallywagnerfoundation.org.

Congratulations to Eleanor Roosevelt High School senior Ruth White, who was awarded the 2017 David Craig Memorial Scholarship.

Congratulations to News Review staffer Cynthia Cummings and her husband Jay, who are now proud grandparents. Baby Nicholas was born to their daughter Nyssa and her husband Dan Stagnaro-Green in Naperville, Ill., on Saturday, May 13.


At this time of year, we know many awards and accolades are presented. Please share your accomplishments, milestones and news in the Our Neigh-

bors column. Send details of your news items to editor@greenbeltnewsreview.com.



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News Review staffer Cynthia Cummings holds her new grandson, Nicholas




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City Information

GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL MEETING/PUBLIC HEARINGS ON FY2018 BUDGET, CONSTANT YIELD, AND VOTING AGE

Municipal Building, May 22, 2017 – 8:00 p.m.

ORGANIZATION

Call to Order
Roll Call
Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
Consent Agenda – Approval of Staff Recommendations (Items on the Consent Agenda [marked by *] will be approved as recommended by staff, subject to removal from the Consent Agenda by Council.)
Approval of Agenda and Additions

COMMUNICATIONS

- Presentations
 - American Legion Auxiliary – Poppy Presentation
 - Peace Month Proclamation
 - Police Officers Proclamation
- Public Hearings
 - Proposed FY 2018 Budget
 - Constant Yield Tax Rate
 - Voting Age for City Elections – Lowering the Voting Age to Allow for 16 and 17 Year Olds to Vote
- Petitions and Requests (Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless Council waives its Standing Rules.)
- * Minutes of Council Meetings
- Administrative Reports
- *Committee Reports
 - Community Relations Advisory Board, Report #2017-1
 - For Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Report # 2017-01

LEGISLATION

OTHER BUSINESS

- Voting Age for City Elections – Lowering the Voting Age to Allow for 16 and 17 Year Olds to Vote/ Youth Advisory Committee Report #2015, Advisory Committee on Trees Report #2017-3, Community Relations Advisory Board Report # 2017-
- Approval of Speed Camera Contract
- Final Design Concept Approval – Buddy Attick Park Parking Lot
- Award Agreement – Gateway Signage Grant
- Memorandum of Understanding – Greenbelt Station Parkway Bridge over Branchville Road
- Council Activities
- Council Reports
- *- Artist in Residence License Agreement
- *- Reappointment to Advisory Group
- *- Appointment to Advisory Group
- *- Removal from Advisory Group

MEETINGS

NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change. Regular Council meetings are open to the public, and all interested citizens are invited to attend. If special accommodations are required for any disabled person, please call 301-474-8000 no later than 10am on the meeting day. Deaf individuals are advised to use MD RELAY at 711 or e-mail cmurray@greenbeltmd.gov to reach the City Clerk.

MEETINGS FOR WEEK OF MAY 22-26

Monday, May 22 at 7:30pm, **CERT** at Police Department, 550 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: City Liaison Update, Treasurer, Volunteer Manager, and Coordinator's Reports- Pet Expo, General Announcements, Trailer Inventory and Light Assembly*

Monday, May 22 at 8:00pm, **CITY COUNCIL MEETING/ PUBLIC HEARINGS ON PROPOSED FY 2018 BUDGET/ CONSTANT YIELD/VOTING AGE** at Municipal Building, 15 Crescent Road. This meeting will be shown live on Verizon 21, Comcast 71 and 996, and streaming at www.greenbeltmd.gov/municipaltv

Tuesday, May 23 at 7:00pm, **ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Feedback on Student Awards and 2018 Budget*

Tuesday, May 23 at 7:00pm, **ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON TREES** at Public Works Facility, 555 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Continue discussion of Greenbelt Tree Master Plan issues*

Tuesday, May 23 at 7:30pm, **GREEN ACES/GREEN TEAM** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Welcome Ronald, Elliott Campbell will speak to the group about H.T. Odum's Energy Concept and Updates from Sustainability Framework / Green Team Circles.*

Wednesday, May 24 at 7:30pm, **COUNCIL WORK SESSION re:South Core Annexation Correction** and at 8:30pm **re: Citizens Animal Response Team** at Community Center, 15 Crescent Road.

Thursday, May 25 at 7:00pm, **FOREST PRESERVE ADVISORY BOARD** at Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road. *On the Agenda: Greenman Festival Event Update, Discussion on AMT Forest Preserve Health Assessment – Goals and Recommendations – Section 12 (Forest Health), Policy Statement, Section 1 (Introduction), Section 5 (Invasive Species), and more, time permitting*

This schedule is subject to change. For confirmation that a meeting is being held call 301-474-8000.

OFFICIAL NOTICE

The Greenbelt City Council has scheduled a

PUBLIC HEARING

To be held during the Regular Meeting of Council
Monday, May 22, 2017 at 8:00 p.m.

CONCERNING THE PROPOSED BUDGETS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 FOR THE GENERAL FUND AND EACH OF THE OTHER FUNDS OF THE CITY.

This is the second of two Public Hearings on the budget. Public attendance and participation are encouraged. All citizens of Greenbelt will have a reasonable opportunity to provide written and oral comments and to ask questions concerning the entire budget.

Copies of the proposed budget may be examined at the City Offices, 25 Crescent Rd., during normal operating hours. The budget is also posted on the City Web site at www.greenbeltmd.gov. For more information, please call 301-474-8000. *Cindy Murray CMC. City Clerk*

FAMILY FUN ON SATURDAY, May 20th!



9:45-12:00pm
ADAPTIVE KAYAKING EXPERIENCE
Buddy Attick Park-Greenbelt Lake, 555 Crescent Road
Fun for all ages! FREE! Pre-Register with the Greenbelt Recreation Department, ACTIVITY # 252505-1.
Info: 240-542-2054. You are encouraged to bring a picnic lunch!



10:30am-1:30pm
PUBLIC WORKS OPEN HOUSE
Public Works Facility, 555 Crescent Road
Come out to this favorite family event and see all we do at Public Works! Ride the Bucket Truck, Climb on Work Trucks, Demonstrations, Environmental and Sustainability Information & Games, Tours, Free Reusable Water Bottles and Reusable Bags, Tree Tour, Hot Dogs and Drinks. Fun for kids of all ages!



2:00pm-6:00pm
CELEBRATION OF SPRING
Springhill Lake Recreation Center, 6101 Cherrywood Ln.
Enjoy arts & crafts, activities, performances, inflatables, video game screens, Magician, Community Info tables, food and music with Greenbelt Recreation Department and your neighbors and friends. Children and parents alike will be delighted on this fun-filled day.

Tuesday, May 23 at 7:00pm
Greenbriar Community Building
7600 Hanover Parkway
Terrace Room

Join us for the second in a series of forums where you can share your thoughts about the relationship between the community and the Greenbelt Police. Hosted by the City of Greenbelt's Community Relations Advisory Board (CRAB). All are welcome.

We want to hear from you!

If you cannot attend, you may provide your comments at www.greenbeltmd.gov/policecommunityforum. If special accommodations are required, please contact the City Manager's Office at 301-474-8000.

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May 19, 2017 from 5:00pm-7:00pm
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City of Greenbelt Recreation Department 2017 Summer Activity Guide
Available in recreation centers & online at www.greenbeltmd.gov/recreation.
Class registration: began on May 15 for Greenbelt residents; May 22 for non-residents.
Classes begin on or after the week of June 19. Call 301-397-2200 for more information.

VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES
Volunteer to serve on City Council Advisory Groups.
There are currently vacancies on: Advisory Committee on Education (effective July 1st), Advisory Planning Board, Arts Advisory Board, Forest Preserve Advisory Board, Community Relations Advisory Board, Greenbelt Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability, Park and Recreation Advisory Board, Senior Citizen Advisory Board and Youth Advisory Committee.

For information on how to apply contact 301-474-8000.

ARTWORK DEDICATION
Saturday, May 20 2:15pm
Springhill Lake Recreation Center Computer Lab
6101 Cherrywood Lane

The new installation features a series of four "Crazy Quilt" mosaic panels incorporating ceramic tiles made by community members of all ages in an Artful Afternoon workshop at the Greenbelt Community Center. This project was initiated by Artist in Residence and Recreation Department instructor Mary Gawlik, assisted by fellow Artist in Residence Gina Denn and open studio participant Jan Morrow. For more information, call 240-542-2057.

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School Board Hears Opponents Of Cell Towers, Other Issues

by Matt Arbach

Health and safety were the two issues that engendered the greatest public response at the Prince George’s County Board of Education meeting on May 11. Comments also criticized the efficacy of the board in developing an inclusive and universally supported school system.

Recently, the cell tower initiative, brought about by an agreement between the county and Milestone Communications, was thwarted at a proposed site at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. However, there are still 72 sites approved “as possible future locations” (pgcabs.org) at schools all across the county. There are currently cell towers at Carroll Middle School, Flowers High School, Green Valley Academy, Kenmoor Middle School and Oxon Hill Middle School. Refer to milestonecommunications.com/locations for a complete list.

Three speakers from Greenbelt brought the cell tower issue to bear: residents Bill Manico and Desan Bobo and Nicole Powell-Farrow, on the administrative staff at Eleanor Roosevelt. All three cited similar points in their argument. A central point was the health threat resulting from close proximity to electromagnetic radiation, cancer being the worst case scenario. All three cited scientific studies indicating this. The other major issue was the resulting loss in property values found in areas where cell towers have been located, which would be a detriment to the economic health of the county.

All three speakers stressed the need to situate towers in areas isolated from residential and school grounds. Bobo emphasized the need to “cancel” the contract with Milestone due to this “unacceptable threat” to the community at large and the questionable and possibly “criminal” business practices.

This contention will certainly be a persistent one in the foreseeable future with the decision at Roosevelt being just the beginning, a point raised by Powell-Farrow. Upon reflection after the board meeting, Powell-Farrow stated her continued and deep concern on the threat that the contract with Milestone poses for the county. She recommends a “full termination of the contract” and that “our district deserves better than to do business with such an organization.” She quoted Prince George’s County Public School CEO Kevin Maxwell, who recently remarked that “Milestone has not met our county’s desired standards of transparency, communication and community engagement.”

On a positive note, board members cited several programs highlighting student achievements. Hillside Works Scholarships Connections celebrated 93 graduating seniors this year. The Student Built House program, begun in 1981, completed its 41st house; all properties are for sale and all proceeds go towards the next project. There was also an inspirational video concerning Declarations of Independence, an

initiative that provides full college scholarships to seniors. Two schools that were highlighted were Oxon Hill High School and Flowers High School. The program worked from a combined fund of \$5 million. The awarded students were encouraged to sign an agreement to see their dreams of higher education to its completion.

The legislative portion of the meeting, presented by Demetria Tobias, associative general counsel for the board, focused on some major bills. These included HB 1568, a work bill which concerns the transportation partnership with WMATA; HB 270, concerning lead testing in school; HB 1, dealing with sick leave for substitutes; Protect Our Schools Act, which seeks to enhance student success; More Learning, Less Testing Act; and School Security Suspensions and Expulsions. Tobias emphasized the trend whereupon suspensions often lead to eventual student dropout. Refer to mgaleg.maryland.gov and mgaleg.maryland.gov/Pubs/LegisLegal/2017-90-day-report.pdf for more complete information on these bills.

Representatives from Imagine Foundations that operates the Leland Charter School, offered a brief synopsis of the programs that have been successful and that can be applied to the public schools in the county. They stress not just dynamic academic measures but also character development, with both traits necessary to create valuable and responsible scholars. This school alone has a waiting list of over 2,000 students beyond their current roster of 488.

The meeting presented a fairly equal record of successes achieved and work yet to do. There was a measured yet clear criticism of the effectiveness of the board on the issues of health, insufficient school textbook availability and commitment to creating an equal environment across the county where students can achieve their potential. The board was receptive to these views and expressed a desire to face these challenges step-by-step, daunting and frustrating as they are at times to both the public and the board members themselves.

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historic house since its closure for water damage repairs in October 2016. Following the ribbon cutting, all house tours will be free until the residence closes at 5 p.m. On the house tour, visitors will be able to observe restored furnishings and household objects that reflect the lifestyle of an average American family during the Great Depression and World War II. Interactive areas allow children to touch and play with time-period household objects, while providing visitors with the opportunity to kinesthetically experience the lives of the families who used to reside in the Greenbelt community. Since the reconstruction commenced last October, a few dramatic changes have been made, such as the walls of the historic home which have been carefully repainted in colors appropriate to the time period. The event, which is sponsored by Friends of the Greenbelt Museum, will be providing light refreshments, and families are encouraged to bring picnic lunches or browse the Farmers Market

so they can eat on the beautiful lawns outside the house. Free craft activities will honor the artist, Lenore Thomas Straus, who sculpted many well-known historic pieces seen around Greenbelt, and children can play safely on the playground. Dogs can even join in on the fun, as long as they remain on a leash. Those who can’t make it on June 4, can visit the Historic House on Sundays between 1 to 5 p.m., or can schedule a visit or walking tour during the week. General admission \$3, children under 12 free, FOGM members free. The Greenbelt Museum greatly appreciates volunteers, and any individuals who are passionate about the unique history of the Greenbelt community are encouraged to contact the Museum. For more information regarding the event or volunteer opportunities, visit greenbeltmuseum.org.

Clodagh Johnston is a University of Maryland student in journalism writing for the News Review.



PHOTO COURTESY GREENBELT MUSEUM

The Greenbelt Museum prepares for the Grand Reopening of the newly restored Historic House on June 4.

Enjoy Community Celebration At Public Works Open House

by Erin Josephitis

Bring the entire family to enjoy free refreshments, a ride in the bucket truck, educational games, environmental tours, demonstrations and more at the Public Works Open House on Saturday, May 20 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Enjoy this community celebration of Public Works’ commitment to preserving Greenbelt’s legacy as a planned community by providing a safe and sustainable physical environment.

Come inside to see the sustainability display featuring green lifestyle tips, behaviors and actions that can be taken to help protect the planet. All ages are invited to play environmental education games to win a free reusable grocery shopping bag or reusable water bottle. Also, drop off these clean and empty materials to be upcycled through TerraCycle: Pur and Brita water filters, Earth’s Best and GoGoSqueez baby food pouches, CLIF wrappers and chip bags and oral care products. Learn about ways to conserve energy, water, zero waste and more.

Starting at 11 a.m., Chesapeake Conservation Corps member Connor Roessler will lead a walking tour of Stormwater Best Management Practices. Visit demonstrations of rain gardens and a rain cistern at Public Works, and a pervious walking path at Buddy Attick Park. Have questions answered and learn

about Chesapeake Bay-friendly funding opportunities through Prince George’s County Rain Check Rebate Program.

Starting at 1 p.m., the Advisory Committee on Trees will lead a bus tour of Greenbelt’s Significant Trees. Note that there are limited seats on the bus for the tour. To attend either of the tours, meet inside of Public Works.

After the Public Works Open House ends, residents will have an opportunity to purchase a discounted compost bin from 1:30 to 2 p.m. (or while supplies last). The cost for Greenbelt residents is \$30 cash or check payable to NIE Institute (\$40 for non-residents).

Want to help make the event a success? Public Works is recruiting volunteers to support environmental education games during the Open House. Service-learning hours will be awarded. No experience necessary; training will be provided. RSVP to Connor Roessler at croessler@greenbeltnmd.gov. The Public Works Department is located at 555 Crescent Road.



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the values that make Greenbelt a great community.

The Student Awards complement the ACE Educator Awards, which ACE presented to teachers and staff members from Greenbelt schools at a council meeting in March. Together, ACE awards and programs highlight the exemplary educational program of the schools that Greenbelt children attend, and the people who make it happen.

Each student received a number of gifts and certificates to commemorate his or her success. From ACE, each of the elementary and middle school students received a \$25 Amazon gift card. The graduating ACE Student Award winners from Eleanor Roosevelt High School will each receive a \$2000 scholarship to help them with some of the expenses associated with the next part of their education.

Each student was presented with an ACE T-shirt and invited to wear it and walk with ACE in the Labor Day Festival Parade in September. All student winners received certificates of recognition from the city, the county and the state.

Bumbry, Councilmember Turner’s chief of staff, presented a donation of \$2000 to the ACE Scholarship Fund from the county council through the assistance of Turner.

Delegate Healey awarded one of her House of Delegates Scholarships following the ACE awards.

The following is a summary of the presentation for each student:

Springhill Lake Elementary Christiana Alapa

Christiana is a fifth-grade student who is a role model of academia’s highest standing. She has consistently received the award for a straight A average throughout the school year. Christiana has a keen interest in science, technology, engineering and math and is an active member of the robotics club. Recently, she was selected by the STEM coach and her peers to represent the SHL Robotics Club in a programming competition.

Christiana is a member of the Springhill Lake Chorus and performs regularly in school concerts and at community events. She is her class representative on the school’s Student Government Association. She demonstrates her care for others by volunteering as a Reading Together Tutor. As a tutor, she arrives at school 20 minutes before the scheduled day to receive training and review reading lessons that she then teaches to second- or third-grade students at the end of the day. She is an outstanding scholar who exhibits the temperament and caring attributes worthy of an ACE award.

Braylon Martin

Braylon is a very dedicated, friendly, respectful, patient and committed student. He is a member of the Helping Hands Club that works year-round in activities like the Spring Stream Clean-Up project. He is also a member of the Springhill Lake basketball team.

Braylon participates in the Talented and Gifted pull-out program and is often called on to tutor his classmates. His sincere spirit and work ethic led his classmates to

elect him as class president of the Student Government Association that works to develop community outreach projects.

Every Thanksgiving, Braylon and his father volunteer at the B. Getty Homeless Shelter in Baltimore, serving food to the homeless. Braylon shared that “When I serve people who need food on Thanksgiving, it makes my food at home taste that much better.” He is a bright student who strives to maintain his quarterly Honor Roll/Principal’s Honor Roll status.

Magnolia Elementary Guadalupe Cardenas

Guadalupe has been selected as the ACE Student because she is an example of a model student. Guadalupe comes in every morning ready to learn. She is never afraid to ask for help when she is confused, and is an individual amongst her peers. She readily assists her peers when they are in need, or if asked. She is well respected by other students, and they value her opinions.

Her team and her classmates can always count on her to conduct herself with dignity and respect. This not only shows that Guadalupe is responsible, it shows that she has a strong understanding of teamwork and integrity. Her mother reports that Guadalupe displays the same characteristics at home.

George Ford III

“What we, at Magnolia, wouldn’t give to have an entire classroom of Georges!” He is the student who brings a smile to your face when he walks into a room. It is difficult to imagine that he knows what a bad day is – he seems eager and full of joy every day. George is extremely kind and always sees the best in any situation. Teachers can depend on him to complete his assignments to the best of his ability and to ask questions when he is in doubt. No challenge thus far has deterred George from giving his all. Small in stature, he does not let this bother him. His peers respect him even more because he is unaffected by the “short” jokes they throw his way. At home, George’s parents say he is a joy. He is conscientious, a great brother to his siblings and the one who avoids all arguments and disagreements.

Dora Kennedy French Immersion School Yoshi Ramesh Chettri

Yoshi Chettri was born in Greenbelt and has lived here ever since. He started the French Immersion program at the age of five. Yoshi loves science. He was selected to represent the school last year at the County STEM Fair where he placed second in Chemistry. He is a well-rounded eighth grader, a fluent French speaker and an honor roll student with a 3.8 GPA. Yoshi is very respectful and humble. He helps redirect other students when they are off-task and is always willing to offer his peers his assistance. Yoshi also makes a great contribution to the lives in his community by delivering newspapers for the Greenbelt News Review.

Sean David Mungin

Sean is an exceptional trilingual (English, French, Russian), straight-A student with a GPA of 4.06. Since starting the French Immersion program, Sean has never missed Honor Roll. He is a leader, well-organized and very

focused. His teachers describe him as a model student.

One of Sean’s most outstanding qualities is his work ethic, which he applies to both academics and athletics. His integrity and ability to be honest with himself helps him succeed in the classroom and on the baseball diamond.

Sean has played for several baseball teams, including his middle school, PG Select and the Rawlings High Heat. He was a Youth Ambassador for the Negro League Hall of Fame. Once a year, he also participates in Comcast Cares Day activities at the Boys and Girls Club in Annapolis because he cares about others and has the ability to guide them in a positive direction.

Greenbelt Elementary Alyssa Bailey

Alyssa is truly a delightful student who always displays a positive attitude. Her teachers and administrators felt she would be a great candidate to represent GES as the Generating Outstanding Leadership Development (GOLD) student for the 2016-2017 school year. Alyssa welcomed this challenge.

She has developed her leadership skills and embraced the growth mindset that is cultivated at GES. Alyssa serves as a safety patrol and works closely with the Student Council on community service projects like the canned food drive, Toys for Tots and Pennies for Patients.

In October, she and her mother created and distributed Breast Cancer Awareness tote bags to her teachers and staff. Alyssa is a leader who helps set high standards for learning in her class and school community. She is hard-working and tries to achieve academic excellence. She is a role model for other students and most deserving of an ACE Award.

Favor Bate

Favor is an ambitious and capable student. He works very hard in school to earn the highest grades possible. He turns every assignment into an opportunity to increase his knowledge and is eager to participate in class activities. He has consistently been on the Honor Roll. Favor is a creative thinker, and he regularly shares his thoughts and ideas with the class.

In addition to being an excellent student, Favor is also a good citizen in the school. He is a safety patrol. He has also participated in activities such as the Greenbelt Elementary Chorus. He consistently demonstrates a genuine understanding of other children’s backgrounds. He is sensitive to cultural differences and really tries to build bridges of understanding between his classmates. Favor consistently sets an example for other students. He exemplifies the school expectations of being responsible, reliable, safe and prepared.

Greenbelt Middle School Benjamin Ehrenreich

Benjamin maintains very good grades while playing soccer with the Greenbelt Titans. He has volunteered to put up fences around the trees at Greenbelt Lake, volunteers at the Greenbelt Farmers Market each summer and tutors younger students in math.

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Drug Drop Box Inaugurated

by Stan Zirkin



Members of city council and the police department celebrate the opening of the Drug Drop Box outside Greenbelt Police Station.

On May 12, with several city councilmembers present, the police department and the Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) officially opened for public use the Drug Drop Box on the outside of the police station. As noted in last week’s News Review, the box is a free service to citizens where, with certain exceptions, prescription and over-the-counter medications may be turned in anonymously, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for safe disposal.

Mayor Emmett Jordan began the ceremony by introducing Councilmembers Judith Davis, Silke Pope and Leta Mach and

thanking both the police department and PSAC for their efforts in making the drug disposal box a reality. He was followed at the podium by Acting Police Chief Thomas Kemp, PSAC Chair Cindy Comproni and PSAC Vice-Chair Laura Kressler, each of whom described the process which culminated in the installation of the box. Kressler was given special thanks for taking the lead in researching the issue on behalf of PSAC.

After the ribbon-cutting Davis made the inauguration complete by disposing of several bags of prescription drugs in the box.

Tennis Season Kicks Off With Social On May 20

by Stan Zirkin

The Greenbelt Tennis Association (GTA) has announced its summer schedule of socials, tournaments and clinics. The season will kick off with a Membership Doubles Social on Saturday, May 20 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Braden Field. The social is free for GTA members (membership forms will be available); non-GTA members pay a nominal fee. Light refreshments will be served.

On every Friday night from 7 to 10 p.m. beginning on May 26 and continuing through August 25 there will be drop-in social tennis at Braden Field. GTA will supply the tokens for the lights and cans of tennis balls will be available for sale. The drop-in tennis will be free for GTA members with non-GTA members paying a nominal fee.

The socials part of the GTA season will culminate with the Labor Day Doubles Social at the Greenbriar tennis courts on Sunday, September 3 between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. The barbecue will be active as usual along with other refreshments. Once again this event is free for GTA members

with non-GTA members paying a nominal fee.

There will also be four Braden Field tournaments this summer: the Summer Singles Tournament on June 24-25; the Post-Firecracker Doubles Tournament on July 15-16; the David Craig Memorial Doubles Tournament on September 30-October 1 and the Craig Singles Tournament on October 7-8. There is an entry fee for each of the tournaments, with a reduced fee for GTA members.

Finally, there will be two instructional clinics at Braden Field sponsored jointly by GTA and the recreation department, one on June 3 from 9 a.m. to noon and a second on August 19 from 9 a.m. to noon. There will be a nominal fee for the lessons.

All events are subject to change due to weather conditions. For more detailed information and updates visit greenbelt.com/tennis.

Stan Zirkin is a reporter for the News Review and treasurer of GTA.



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Police Blotter

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Armed Suspect
May 4, 5:12 p.m., 7500 block Greenbelt Road. A man pulled a gun from the trunk of his car and began waving it around outside of Wendy’s Restaurant. He is described as Latino, 5’8” tall, 170 pounds, with hair in long dreadlocks, wearing grey sweatpants and a navy blue shirt. He fled in a vehicle described as a black Chevrolet Monte Carlo.

Robbery
May 6, 2 p.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Lane. A man who agreed to purchase a cell phone on the internet went to the 6000 block of Greenbelt Road to meet the seller and complete the purchase. The seller pulled up in a vehicle described as a black Nissan Altima and drove the buyer to the 5800 block of Cherrywood Lane, where both of them exited the vehicle. The seller then grabbed the money from the buyer’s grasp, pushed him back and fled in the Altima. The seller is described as a black man, approximately 25 years old, 5’10” tall, wearing a grey shirt with SECURITY on the front and black sweat pants.

May 9, 10:05 a.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Lane. Two men approached a woman walking in the parking lot when one punched her and took her purse. Both men then fled toward Greenbelt Metro Drive. One of the men is described as black, 6’1” tall, 170 to 180 pounds, with a dark complexion and a thick beard, wearing a grey Adidas brand hooded sweatshirt, dark pants and black shoes.

Sex Offense
May 10, 5:54 a.m., 6000 block Greenbelt Road. A 24-year-old nonresident was arrested and charged with fourth degree sex offense and second degree assault. A woman was walking toward a bus stop when she saw a man drive to the nearby parking lot, get out of his vehicle and approach her. He fondled her and fled on foot. His vehicle was impounded and when he returned to the scene a short time later he was arrested and transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

Sobriety Checkpoint
May 5, Greenbelt Road near Lakeside Drive. Three nonresidents were arrested for driving while impaired by alcohol and

other traffic violations after being stopped during a sobriety checkpoint. All were released on citations pending trial.

Theft
May 4, 10:44 a.m., 6200 block Breezewood Drive. A parcel package was taken from in front of a resident’s door on March 22.
May 5, 1:50 a.m., 9000 block Breezewood Terrace. Two notebook-type computers were taken from a residence.

May 5, 7:30 p.m., 5900 block Cherrywood Terrace. A juvenile asked to ride a person’s yellow Razor brand BMX bicycle. He then got on it and rode away.

May 7, 12:45 p.m., Greenbelt Station Parkway near Stream Bank Lane. Building materials were taken from a construction site.

Burglary
May 2, 8 p.m., 5800 block Cherrywood Terrace. Nothing appeared to have been taken after entry appeared to have been made by way of an unlocked sliding glass door.

Vandalism
May 4, 12:45 p.m., 9200 block Edmonston Road. A woman heard someone pull on her front door knob, followed by a loud noise. She looked out the window, saw a man running from the area and then noticed that her living room window had been broken.

May 8, 9 a.m., 99 Centerway. Rocks were used to break windows at the Youth Center.

Vehicle Crime
Six thefts from vehicles were reported. Three tags were taken, Md. 2AX8889 from the 6000 block Springhill Drive, rear tag Md. 6AV8725 from the 6000 block Greenbelt Road and another tag from the 7800 block Hanover Parkway.

Thefts from two cars occurred after windows were broken out of one vehicle in the 6000 block Greenbelt Road (laptop computer, notebook-type computer and two checks) and another in the 5000 block Cherrywood Terrace (two purses).

Four tires and rims were taken from one car in the 100 block Westway.

Two instances of vandalism were reported. A rear windshield was broken out in the 8100 block Lakecrest Drive. A fog light was broken out and the hood scratched in the 7600 block Mandan Road.

Man Arrested in May 5 Greenbelt Homicide

On Tuesday, May 16, Rodrick Achu Cheg, 20, of Greenbelt was arrested and charged with first degree murder, second degree murder, first degree assault and second degree assault.

Cheg was arrested on an unrelated warrant and confessed to Greenbelt Police detectives to stabbing 19-year-old Jean Marie Acha during a physical altercation. Cheg was transported to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner, where he is being held without bond.



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Rodrick Achu Cheg

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Benjamin is also very helpful to new students at school and participates in peer mediation to help resolve issues between his peers. He is a well-liked young man amongst the Greenbelt Middle School community.

Jhennifer Celestino

Jhennifer has maintained excellent grades all through her middle school years. She has volunteered to read to younger students and assist them with their math and reading skills. Jhennifer has also volunteered to assist teachers and help with school beautification efforts. The volunteer opportunities have continued, as Jhennifer has volunteered at the Greenbelt library as well. Being part of the computer club and the robotics club, she is a wonderful role model for all students in her eighth-grade class.

Eleanor Roosevelt High School

Jordan Epps

Jordan exemplifies the character traits of leadership, scholarship, service and character. As an aspiring physician, she hopes to change the world through her work and by helping people. She has been accepted to several colleges, and has decided to attend Xavier University of Louisiana. She intends to major in biology on the pre-medicine track with a minor in psychology. While at Roosevelt, she has taken AP classes in biology, human geography, government, world history, language arts and capstone seminar. She is a member and manager of the Lady Raider Step Squad and the unit vice-commander of Air Force Jr. ROTC MD-901. Jordan is a morning and afternoon School Announcer, and is the manager of the Boys’ varsity lacrosse team. She is an AP Scholar, on the Honor Roll, won a varsity lacrosse letter and was part of the National Stepping Championship team. In her spare time, she volunteers at a hospital, serves as a teacher and counselor aid and works as a babysitter and dog walker.

Kyle Del Villar

Kyle is an outstanding student, classmate and friend. He has consistently challenged himself with rigorous coursework in several honors and AP classes, involvement in extracurricular activities and volunteer work throughout the past four years. Kind, patient, down to earth, responsible, understanding and outgoing, Kyle makes a lasting impression on anyone he interacts with and goes out of his way to help others. He is currently interested in pursu-

ing a career in psychology and hopes to excel in this field in the future. With his good nature and exceptional people skills, there is no doubt that he will reach his goals. Kyle will be attending Prince George’s Community College.

Favour Dimelu

Delegate Healey then presented a Maryland State Delegate Award to Favour Dimelu. Favour is a diligent student, having taken AP biology and achieved the National Society of High School Scholars, the Outstanding Junior Award for Exceptional Achievement, the Academic Honor Roll and the Principal’s Honor Roll. At ERHS, she is a member of the varsity rugby team and the African Dance Team. Favour is very active in church at the Winner’s Chapel, having been the supervisor of the Winner’s Chapel Health Fair, assistant manager of the Winner’s Chapel Bookstore and president of the Winner’s Chapel Youth Department. In addition, she participated in the Bethel Campus Fellowship and has volunteered with Greenbelt CARES as a math tutor for elementary and middle school students. Favour will attend the University of Maryland at College Park and will major in public health and pre-med, intending to become a family physician.

At the Library

Weekly Storytimes:

Monday, May 22, ages 3 to 5, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, May 23, ages 3 to 5, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, May 24, ages 3 to 5, 10:15 a.m.; ages 2 to 3, 11:15 a.m.
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31 Future Ted Talkers Shine At ERHS AP Capstone Colloquium

by Renauta York

The Eleanor Roosevelt High School AP Capstone program held its second annual research colloquium on Friday, April 28. Thirty-one students in the AP Research class, who have been taking the AP Seminar Class as a part of the two-year AP Capstone program, presented their projects to the public. Four students, selected by their peers, gave Ted Talk style presentations on their research projects to family members, first year students and their fellow classmates.

Troy Bradbury, the AP Capstone Seminar teacher and AP Capstone coordinator, began the colloquium by giving a short history of the program, highlighting the growth of the program as well as the outcome for the students. “AP Capstone is in its fourth year. It started out with 17 pilot schools nationwide and ERHS was one of them. There are currently 650 schools worldwide.” Schools that want to participate in the program go through a one-year vetting process. Ten schools in Maryland are currently participating in the program. When the program started at ERHS, it started with 15 hand-picked students. This year 35 students are participating. There will be 55 next year. Eighth-grade students who are interested in the program will be able to apply to the program next year.

Bradbury noted that he had just gotten back from a College Board Conference in Chicago. In the feedback from the College Board, students “were more prepared for college,” and “confident they can meet [college level] standards.” He noted in relation to the students, “It’s fantastic what these students can do.” He concluded with telling the AP Research students, “it’s been an honor to work with you. I’m incredibly proud of you.”

Alex Kinder, the AP Research teacher, talked more about the AP Research class. Research is a one-year process, where “students choose a topic they’re interested in, research and review the literature, then create a quality valid project based on their findings.” He goes over methods with the students, who then write a literature review, conduct research on their topic, develop their arguments and write a five-section research paper. They also put on a 15- to 20-minute presentation along with a question and answer session.

After the four student presentations, the students were asked to come up to receive their Capstone certificates and pins. Principal Reginald McNeill congratulated the students on their success

in the AP Capstone program and the depth of their projects. He left them with these words: “If you can do something you’re interested in and you can do the work . . . I guarantee your first term of college . . . you are prepared and you’re going to be able to handle it, congratulations.”

Presentations

The first speaker was Ashna Mahmud, whose research was on The Effects of Romantic Movies on Teenagers. She researched if watching romantic movies affect teenager’s perceptions of love and relationships. Her participants consisted of teenagers aged 13 to 19 that she chose through a survey sent out by school email. After obtaining data from the survey and researching previous works through a meta-analysis, she concluded that teenagers were influenced by watching romantic movies.

The second speaker, Timothy Jones, discussed his research on The Best Fire Protection for Residential Buildings. He conducted a meta-analysis of previous works that analyzed the fire safety of different building materials. After comparing the benefits and drawbacks of different building materials, he came up with a compilation of the best fire resistant materials for residential construction.

The third speaker was Gina Chung, who looked at The Relationship Between Social Perception and Reality. Her project researched what factors influenced teenaged girls’ fashion choices. She did a survey with almost 200 responses and a meta-analysis to determine how teenage girls choose their clothes. The factors she investigated were social media, peers, parents and culture. She concluded that social media affected fashion choices the most.

The fourth speaker was Edward Brennan, who discussed The 5th Wave book series and The Hero’s Journey. He investigated whether the book series fits in the framework of The Hero’s Journey by Joseph Campbell. He defined the hero’s journey as an arc that characters follow in 10 specific stages. He determined that the character in The 5th Wave series follows the hero’s journey using literary analysis.

Reflections on Capstone

Linda Watson, the Technology Coordinator, commented, “they’re just so passionate about their topic and you’ll see when you hear them speak about their topic they are speaking as if they are experts, so it’s really a wonderful program. Mrs. Peterson and I met with a group of Japanese visitors that were visiting our school.

Just at the time that they were coming through the library in lab we were finishing up the last few posters for the students. They were so impressed with the level of research and with the posters that they wanted to know how we did it? Where did we start, and [what was] the name of the program?”

Sieglinde Peterson, whose daughter, Catherine Peterson, is in the program, had the following observations: “It hones critical thinking skills. Kids have been growing up in this era where somebody can turn on the computer and Google anything they want and sometimes they believe whatever pops on the screen is [true]. [They] don’t think or critically analyze it. I’m very grateful that Catherine’s had a program that allowed her to delve deeply into a topic, read and learn how to critically (think). I think it will help her when she gets to college, writing papers. I think it will make college a lot easier.”

Anna Kay Murray, Research Project: Black Women in Film: “These classes helped me so much, because before I started this I had no idea about research. I was good at writing papers. I was able to formulate arguments but . . . now I feel more confident in what I’m saying and what I’m doing and how, and how I express myself.”

Deborah Whaley: My daughter’s name is Maya Whaley and it [the AP Capstone program] has been awesome for her. Her research, her thoughts, the questions she’s bringing home, what they have been talking about in [Research and Seminar] are great. She’s going to go to Morgan State, and she got accepted to the honors college, which is something that we didn’t even apply for . . . she got a scholarship [as well].”

Kinder, on the type of research paper they create: “We go over initially how to create a solid research project. They submit a formal proposal after we talk a little bit about what methods they can use, what types of questions are researchable, what method would best align with the approach. Once we do that then they start getting into the actual research. They do some preliminary research via a literature review. That’s something that many colleges require someone to do, but not many students get exposure to. Then they get into their actual research using the method that they chose so the skills they learned in the seminar build on that.”

He stressed the importance of the program in preparing students

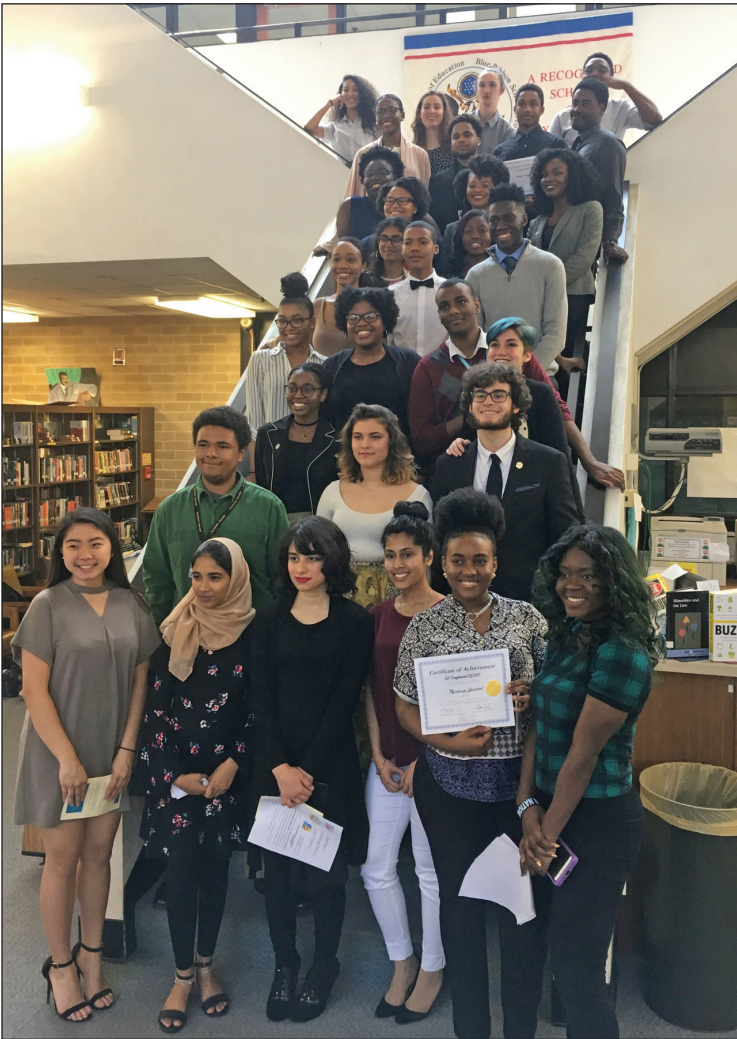


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2017 ERHS AP Capstone Research Colloquium participants

for college, “heading to college, learning those skills is really going to carry them through the college and their career.” He also added, “It gives them a competency and the confidence to stay in college.”


Interested in Capstone?

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